

35-2

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |

AGE CDL ACP TOG TPE MRO DCI

OMF 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

PAGE 1 OF 2

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

MESSAGE HANDLING INDICATOR

STAFF

DATE-TIME GROUP

161827Z

CITE

DIRECTOR

MESSAGE REFERENCE NUMBER

125981

CONF: SA/DO

INFO:

FILE

EW38, IP/DMS, LA8 OLC,  
 0004, 000/00, 000/00,

☐ INDEX DISSEM BY: P  
☐ NO INDEX  
☐ RETURN TO PER  
☐ IF FILES #

TO: <sup>15-15</sup> [LISBON] <sup>15-1</sup> INFO [LONDON] MEXICO CITY. 4  
 RYBAT UNINTEL RNVIEW 4

1. U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS WHO CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING ASSASSINATIONS OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING HAS TOLD STATE THAT THEY INTEND TO PURSUE LEADS IN PORTUGAL, UK AND MEXICO RELATING TO JAMES EARL RAY, CURRENTLY SERVING TIME FOR KING, MURDER. THEY BASING THIS INTEREST ON INFORMATION THAT RAY WAS IN LISBON BRIEFLY IN MAY 1968, SHORTLY BEFORE HIS APPREHENSION IN LONDON IN JUNE 1968. 4

2. MR. G. ROBERT BLAKEY, CHIEF COUNSEL AND STAFF DIRECTOR OF COMMITTEE SAYS SELECT COMMITTEE TOLD STATE THAT HE WANTS TO ESTABLISH "CORDIAL RELATIONSHIP" WITH APPROPRIATE PORTUGUESE NATIONAL POLICE AND HOPES TO ENLIST THEIR ASSISTANCE INCLUDING ACCESS TO THEIR FILES AND IN LOCATING AND INTERVIEWING POTENTIAL WITNESSES. 4

3. DEPARTMENT HAS SOLICITED EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS AS TO HOW BLAKEY SHOULD PROCEED. 4

DATE:  
 ORIG:  
 UNIT:  
 EXT:

**DO NOT REPRODUCE  
 RETURN TO CIA**

RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

CLASSIFICATION

REPRODUCTION BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PROHIBITED

E 2 IMPDET  
 CL BY: 06494

## OUTGOING MESSAGE

|   |  |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|
| 1 |  | 4 |  | 7 |  |
| 2 |  | 8 |  | 8 |  |
| 3 |  | 8 |  | 9 |  |

SIGNAL CENTER USE ONLY  
AGE COI ACP TOG TPE MRO DCI  
OMF 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

PAGE 2 OF 2 PAGES

CLASSIFICATION

SECRET

MESSAGE HANDLING INDICATOR

STAFF

DATE-TIME GROUP

CITE

DIRECTOR

MESSAGE REFERENCE NUMBER

CONF:

INFO: FILE

125981

☐ INDEX DISSEM BY:  
☐ NO INDEX  
☐ RETURN TO PER

☐ IF FILES #

4. WISH TO CALL ABOVE TO ADDRESSEES' ATTENTION IN EVENT

<sup>28</sup> [STATIONS] ARE SOLICITED FOR ADVICE OR ASSISTANCE. RTACTION IS COOPERATING FULLY WITH BLAKEY AND COMMITTEE INCLUDING ALLOWING THEM ACCESS TO DIRECTORATE RECORDS, AFTER SUITABLE SANITIZATION FOR SOURCES AND METHODS. HOWEVER, BELIEVE COMMITTEE'S EFFORTS TO INTERVIEW POLICE AND WITNESSES AND RESULTING USEFUL INFORMATION OBTAINED, IF ANY, IS LARGELY OVERT FUNCTION WHICH CAN BEST BE HANDLED BY LEGATTS OR OTHERS WHO WOULD ALSO BE IN A POSITION TO BE PUBLICLY QUOTED OR IDENTIFIED IF NECESSARY. 4

5. <sup>28</sup> [STATIONS] EXPECTED TO PROVIDE EMBASSY BEST ADVICE IF SOLICITED BUT REQUESTED TO AVOID INVOLVING <sup>27</sup> [STATION OFFICERS] IN NEGOTIATIONS EVEN IN THEIR <sup>29</sup> [COVER] CAPACITIES. IF CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH THAT THIS UNAVOIDABLE, PLEASE ADVISE HQS BY CABLE SO THAT THE MATTER CAN BE APPROPRIATELY HANDLED WITH BLAKEY AND DEPARTMENT. H

ORIG: O/SA/DO/O {SOVERN}; COORD: OLC {CUMMINS}, DC/LA {LAUDER},

<sup>03</sup> C/LA/DOX {HAWKINS}, <sup>03</sup> DC/EUR/BC {JAMES}, C/EUR/IB {BERGER}; AUTH:

SA/DO/O <sup>03</sup> [KATROSHI]; REL: DC/EUR {ESTES}.J

DATE: 14 NOVEMBER 1977

ORIG: MASOVERN

UNIT: O/SA/DO/O

EXT: 1542

DC/EUR

RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

REPRODUCE

BY OTHER THAN THE ISSUING OFFICE IS PI

BITED

E 2

IMPDET

CI RV.